

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please replace drawing sheet 6/8 with the attached Replacement Sheet amending Fig. 5.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 7-9 and 11-15 are pending in this application. Claims 1 and 9 are independent claims. By this Amendment, claims 5, 6 and 10 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 1-4, 7-9 and 12-15 are amended. No new matter is added.

Specification

Although not objected to, the specification is amended to correct minor typographical errors.

Drawings

Although not objected to, Fig. 5 of the drawings is amended so that the arrow indicating the power source 57 is directed to the power source and not the microprocessor 56.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over US Patent Application Publication 2007/0226481 to Duncan in view of US Patent Application Publication 2005/0021190 to Worrell et al. (Worrell). As claims 5, 6 and 10 are cancelled, the rejection of these claims is moot. The rejection of the remaining pending claims is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 is amended to recite that the ROM component is configured to prompt the user to insert the portable memory device upon boot up of the navigation device, and once the user inserts the portable memory device into the portable memory device interface the system file is copied from the portable memory device into the RAM component.

It is alleged in the Office Action that Duncan discloses all of the features recited in the rejected claims except a navigation program and map data. However, in addition to the admitted deficiencies, Duncan also fails to disclose or suggest a ROM component configured to prompt the

user to insert the portable memory device upon boot up of the navigation device, and once the user inserts the portable memory device into the portable memory device interface the system file is copied from the portable memory device into the RAM component.

In Duncan, boot instructions from the flash memory prompt the user to insert the storage device 150 into the PC 105. However, the program or image from the storage device 150 is not copied to RAM, but rather is copied to ROM. For example, as recited at paragraph [0068] of Duncan, the image is written to flash memory 322 which is non-volatile.

Further, Duncan also fails to disclose or suggest that when a navigation device is switched off, contents of the RAM component are preserved so that the boot up procedure only has to occur the first time the navigation device is used, as recited in dependent claim 8.

It is alleged in the Office Action that this feature is disclosed at paragraphs [0061]-[0066] of Duncan. However, in the cited passages, Duncan merely discloses that the boot code is written from the storage device 105 to the flash memory 322. There is no disclosure or suggestion of the content of the RAM (system file including an operating system, a navigation application and map data) when a navigation device is turned off. Thus, Duncan fails to disclose or suggest the claim features as alleged in the Office Action.

As discussed above, it is admitted in the Office Action that Duncan fails to disclose or suggest a navigation program and map data. In an effort to overcome the deficiencies of Duncan, it is alleged that one of skill in the art at the time of the invention would have modified the PC of Duncan to include a navigation program and map data as disclosed in Worrell.

Worrell relates to a method and apparatus for providing a vehicle operator with a means for controlling vehicle systems and subsystems by operating a control interface or control system disposed on a surface of a steering wheel (paragraph [0044]). At paragraph [0070] of Worrell, it is disclosed that an interface for a vehicle driver may be updated by downloading a selected driver

interface from a website onto a flash card memory that is plugged into the dashboard of a car. A flash card reader 68 could contain machine-readable data including maps (navigation system).

Thus, even considering *arguendo* that the references are combinable, the combination of references fails to disclose or suggest a system file including, an operating system, a navigation application and map data, is copied from the portable memory device into the RAM component and a navigation device that when switched off, contents of the RAM component are preserved so that the boot up procedure only has to occur the first time the navigation device is used.

As the combination of references fails to disclose or suggest all of the features of the rejected claims, as amended, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the objections and rejections and allowance of each of the pending claims of the present application is earnestly solicited.

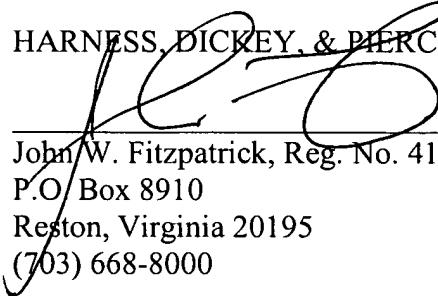
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John W. Fitzpatrick at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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